Louisiana State Board of Nursing

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February 2, 2004

Ms. Carrie Ducote Aillet P.O. Box 633 Addis, LA 70710

Dear Ms. Aillet:

This is to inform you that you have completed the probation as ordered by the Board in its Order dated February 7, 2002. The records of the Board will indicate that you are no longer on probation and no longer have stipulations on your license.

May you have many years of rewarding nursing experience. If I can assist you in nursing matters in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wells, MSHCM, BSN, RNC

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Regional Manager

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LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING METAIRIE, LOUISIANA

METAIRIE, LOUISIAN IN THE MATTER OF:

Carrie Ann Ducote 4624 Park Oaks Dr. #18 Baton Rouge, La 70816 Respondent



CONSENT ORDER

TERMS AGREED TO BY LICENSEE

- I, Carrie Ann Ducote, voluntarily agree to sign and have witnessed terms of agreement for the purpose of avoiding formal administrative proceedings with the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.
- I, Carrie Ann Ducote, do say that I freely, knowingly and voluntarily enter into this agreement. I understand that I have a right to a hearing in this matter and I freely waive such right. I understand that I have a right to legal counsel prior to entering into this agreement. I acknowledge that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing makes the following FINDINGS OF FACT:
 - 1. That on March 17, 1993, Respondent was licensed by examination to practice as a registered nurse in Louisiana.
 - 2. That on June 14, 2001, Respondent was arrested by the Baton Rouge Police Department for the charge of Attempting to Obtain CDS by Fraud and Deceit (RS 40.971) after she called in an unauthorized prescription for Vicodin to a local pharmacy.
 - 3. That on June 29, 2001, Respondent was licensed as an APRN and Certified Midwife.
 - 4. That on October 3, 2001, Respondent met in conference with Board staff to discuss the Recovering Nurse Program. She denied having a problem with chemical dependency and declined entry into the program.
 - 6. That on January 9, 2002, Respondent, along with her legal counsel, met in conference with Board staff to discuss these allegations. She stated she needed a refill on the medication because of some neck pain she had been having. She didn't want to ask the physician for a prescription knowing that he would insist on examining her, and possibly ordering physical therapy, prior to writing another prescription.

To facilitate submission of this Consent Order, I do not offer any defense to the <u>FINDINGS OF FACT</u>. I agree that the Board has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to L.R.S. 37:911 et seq. I admit to the findings of fact and I further agree that there is sufficient evidence upon which to predicate a finding of violation of the provisions of L.R.S. 37:921. I agree that the Board may treat the allegations of fact and law as true, which finding shall have the same force and effect as if evidence and argument were presented in support of the allegations and, based thereon, the Board found the allegations to be true. I specifically waive my right to contest these findings in any subsequent proceedings before the Board. I understand that this Consent Order shall constitute a public record and is disciplinary action by the Board. I understand that this will be reported as **Drug Related: Presenting an Illegal Prescription**.

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CONSENT ORDER

TERMS AGREED TO BY LICENSEE (continued)

In order to avoid further administrative proceedings, I, Carrie Ann Ducote, hereby consent to accept and abide by the following Order of the Board: The license of this registrant is suspended, with a stay of the said suspension, and that the license is probated for a minimum of twenty-four (24) months, contingent upon adherence to the following stipulations:

- 1. Within sixty (60) days, submit to a comprehensive psychiatric, psychological, and substance abuse evaluation by a psychiatrist, clinical psychologist, and addictionist approved by the Board; Shall authorize and cause a written report of the said evaluation to be submitted to the Board; Shall include the entire evaluation report including diagnosis, course of treatment, prescribed or recommended treatment, prognosis, and professional opinion as to registrant's capability of practicing nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients.
- 2. Immediately submit to all recommendations thereafter of the therapist, physician, or treatment team, and cause to have submitted evidence of continued compliance with all recommendations by the respective professionals. This stipulation shall continue until the registrant is fully discharged by the respective professionals and until approved by the Board staff.
- 3. If found to be chemically dependent, immediately sign an agreement with the Recovering Nurse Program, and cause to have submitted evidence of compliance with all program requirements.
- 4. Shall remain free of alcohol and all unprescribed mood-altering substances. Any mood-altering, addictive, or dependency-inducing substance must be currently prescribed for a bona fide medical condition by a physician knowledgeable about the individual's history and the information underlying the Board's concerns. All prescribed drugs must be verified in writing to the Board on a specified form by the prescribing physicians within five (5) days of this date, and within five (5) day of any new prescriptions. The Board reserves the right to have a LSBN recognized addictionist review and approve the prescriptions for continued nursing practice.
- 5. Have supervised random drug screens done monthly, through an approved LSBN laboratory. Additional screenings may be requested by Board staff. Written reports of same shall be submitted to the Board.
- 6. Within three (3) days upon receipt of this Order, send RN license to the Board office so that the license can be marked "probated".
- 7. Prior to returning to work, inform all nursing employers of these disciplinary measures and of the probationary status of license. Within two weeks, shall cause all employers to submit, in writing to the Board, that they have reviewed this Order.

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Respondent

TERMS AGREED TO BY LICENSEE (continued)

- 8. Have all immediate nursing supervisors submit a performance evaluation report quarterly, commencing from the first date of employment. Quarterly reports are due on or before the first day of January, April, July, and October.
- 9. Work in a restrictive environment as a member of a treatment team rather than alone or with a few employees. Not be employed in agency/pool/staffing, home health services, or nursing homes. Additionally, not be employed in any unsupervised setting. Must be directly supervised by an on-site registered nurse.
- 10. During the period of probation, Respondent shall engage in the practice of professional nursing in Louisiana for a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours per week for a minimum of eighteen (18) consecutive months.
- 11. If employed in nursing, immediately inform the Board in writing of all places of employment. If employment changes, the Board shall be immediately (within 72 hours) notified in writing.
- 12. If unemployed or employed in a non-nursing position, inform the Board in writing on a quarterly basis.
- 13. Immediately (within 72 hours) inform the Board in writing of any change in address
- 14. Within sixty (60) days, submit payment of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) to the Board.
- 15. By the first of each month, submit a monthly probation fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to the Board.
- 16. Have resolved any and all pending criminal arrests, convictions, probations, and parole including any pre-trial diversion programs prior to request for consideration of ending the probation of her nursing license. Submit certified copies of resolution of all criminal charges.
- 17. Not have any misconduct, criminal violations or convictions, or violations of any health care regulations reported to the Board related to this or any other incidents.
- 18. Failure to comply with the above orders, receipt of an unfavorable report, or non-receipt of reports on or before the date due shall result in the immediate suspension of this registrant's license. This suspension can be imposed by action of the staff subject to the discretionary review of the Board.

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TERMS AGREED TO BY LICENSEE (continued)

I, Carrie Ann Ducote, understand that this agreement is effective immediately upon signature of the Executive Director. It is also understood that this agreement does not preclude the Board of Nursing from requiring a formal hearing of my case. I further understand that should the Consent Order not be accepted by the Board, I agree that presentation to and consideration of the Consent Order, the documentary evidence and information by the Board shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Board or any of its members from participation in hearings or other proceedings pertaining to these or other matters regarding this registrant.

Carrie Ann Ducote

Dated this 2 1 day of, 2002.

Witness

Approved by and effective date: Felway 7, 2002

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Sign date: Felin 7, 2002

Barbara Morvant, MN, RN

Executive Director